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FAS-930  
(05-21-04)U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
Foreign Agricultural ServiceTRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE (TAA) FOR FARMERS  
PETITION FOR CERTIFICATION AND ELIGIBILITY FOR A GROUP OF PRODUCERS

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Deadline for petition submission is January 31 by one of the following methods:

## FAX

(202) 720-0876

## EMAIL

or trade.adjustment@fas.usda.gov

## ADDRESS

U.S. Department of Agriculture  
Import Policies and Programs Division/FAS  
1400 Independence Ave., S.W.  
Stop 1021  
Washington, DC 20250-1021

1. Name of Authorized Representative or Primary Contact

Philip Gross

2. Name and Business Address (Including City, State, and Zip Code)

Spokane Hutterian Brethren  
3610 N. Wood Rd.  
Reardan WA. 99029

3. Telephone Number (Including Area Code)

509-299-5400

4. Fax Number (Including Area Code)

509-299-3099

5. E-Mail Address

sh6seed@juno.com

6. This petition is made on behalf of the following producers: (Use separate sheet for additional producers)

A. Name of Producers	B. Mailing Address	C. Telephone No. (Including Area Code)	D. E-Mail Address
Spokane Hutterian Brethren	3610 N. Wood Rd. Reardan WA. 99029	509-299-5400	sh6seed@juno.com
Hawley Farms	[REDACTED] Ferndale, WA. 98248	[REDACTED]	?
Dick Bedlington Farm	[REDACTED] Lynden, WA 98264	[REDACTED]	?
Pure Potato	[REDACTED] Lynden WA. 98264	[REDACTED]	?

## 7. COMMODITY INFORMATION:

A. Description of the raw (excludes processed) agricultural commodity:  
(e.g., fresh raspberries)

Seed Potatoes

B. Competing Imported Commodity's Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS)  
Number (HTS can be found at: <http://www.usitc.gov/affairs.htm>)

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C. This petition is for the most recent marketing year for the commodity beginning in

Feb. 2004  
(month/year)

and ending

May 2004  
(month/year)

D. Check whether the certification is to cover a commodity produced nationally or in an "impacted" area (state or states):

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National

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State(s) (list):

Washington

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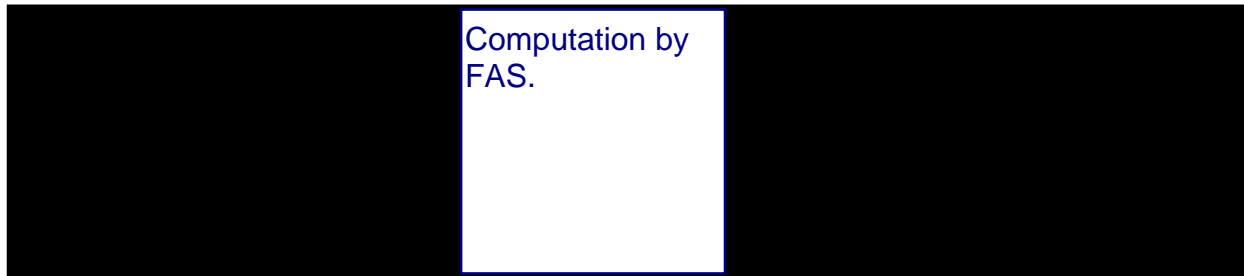
8. If Item 7D "National" is checked, provide the national average annual price for the most recent marketing year and the 5 preceding marketing years. If Item 7D "State(s)" is checked to indicate that the petition is for an impacted area, provide the relevant average price for the most recent marketing year and the 5 preceding years, and specify the months being averaged if the price is for less than 12 months (seasonal price).

**NOTE: Use Official data if available.** The Department's National Agricultural Statistical Service (NASS) has national price data available for many raw agricultural commodities. That information can be found at [www.usda.gov/nass](http://www.usda.gov/nass). You must state the source of your price data. If you do not use official data, you must provide contact information for verification purposes and supporting documentation to show how your price was calculated.

A. Marketing Year	B. Average Annual Price				
Most recent: <b>2004</b>	\$ <b>6.20 per cwt.</b>				
Provide prices for the 5 years prior to the most recent marketing years. Beginning with the most recent.	C. 5-Year Average Annual Price				
	1 Year ago \$ <b>8.90</b>	2 Years ago \$ <b>8.02</b>	3 Years ago \$ <b>5.74</b>	4 Years ago \$ <b>8.50</b>	5 Years ago \$ <b>8.50</b>

9. Basis for request for adjustment assistance. Please explain or attach any documents, which show how increased imports have affected the national price of your product during the most recent marketing year. In your description include any other factors which may also have contributed to lower producer prices.

*(Please find attached documents.)*



10A. SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRIMARY CONTACT <i>Philip Brown</i>	10B. TITLE <i>Seed grower and Sales</i>	10C. DATE SIGNED <i>12-27-04</i>
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The source of our price data, and how I calculated it.

Seed growers in the US follow a price that was established by an Agriculture University here in the Pacific Northwest, on cost of seed production per acre and then calculated to per cwt. basis, with some marginal room given, variety, region or State grown in, etc... On calculating how I got our price average, I took the total amount profit and divided it by total per cwt. production for that season, accuracy due to the information provided.

9. Basis for request for adjustment assistance. (Document attachment)

2004 market year, Canadian Imports on Seed Potatoes into the US, and specifically Washington State where our market is, were brought in at cheap prices which seed producers here in Washington had a hard time to compete against. Towards the end of the 2004 planting season prices were forced way beyond the price of production for us, which caused us to dump and bury much of it, (with ourselves, about 3000 tons). We have seen our US and Pacific Northwest seed market decline or be impacted over the last 4 to 6 years, mostly due to the fact that Canadian seed growers in western Canada have rapidly expanded seed production the last 8 years and can produce seed a little cheaper than the high input cost that the US seed growers are facing. And because most of the US potato production is located in the Pacific Northwest, they (Alberta, Sask.) seed growers have a big advantage over us when they have lots of seed available because they are close by, and just need to lower prices under our production costs and they still come out with the currency exchange difference, and that impacted our market so heavily that we lost profit in this last season.

Spokane Hutterian Brethren  
Philip Gross

